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D.T.E. 02-38

Investigation by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy on its own Motion into Distributed Generation.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

On February 24, 2004, the Department approved, with some modifications, the “Tariff to Accompany Proposed Uniform Standards for Interconnecting Distributed Generation in Massachusetts” (“Model Interconnection Tariff”), filed by the Massachusetts Distributed Generation Interconnection Collaborative (“DG Collaborative”). Distributed Generation, D.T.E. 02-38-B (2004). The DG Collaborative consists of electric distribution companies, distributed generation providers, government and quasi-governmental agencies, consumers, and public interest groups. Id. at 2, n.2 (2004). The Department also authorized a two-year continuation of the DG Collaborative, in order to include time for the DG Collaborative to refine the Model Interconnection Tariff and discuss the role of DG in distribution company planning. Id. at 35, 41. On May 31, 2005, the DG Collaborative submitted its 2005 Annual Report (“2005 Report”). Attached to the 2005 Report are proposed revisions to the Model Interconnection Tariff (“Revised Model Interconnection Tariff”).

Copies of the 2005 Report and the proposed Revised Model Interconnection Tariff are on file at the Department's offices, One South Station-2nd floor, Boston, Massachusetts for public view during normal business hours. The 2005 Report is also available on the Department's website - <http://www.mass.gov/dte>. The Department invites all interested persons to file written comments on the Revised Model Interconnection Tariff no later than June 23, 2005.

All comments exceeding 20 pages in length must contain an executive summary. One original and ten copies of all comments should be filed with Mary Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station - 2nd Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. All written comments also should be submitted to the Department in electronic format. Electronic submissions should be made using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to dte.efiling@state.ma.us and william.stevens@state.ma.us and or (2) on a 3.5" disk, IBM-compatible format. The text of the e-mail or the disk label must specify (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.T.E. 02-38), (2) name of the person or company

submitting the filing, and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. The electronic filing should also include the name, title and phone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Text responses should be written in either Corel Word Perfect (naming the document with a “.wpd” suffix), in Microsoft Word (naming the document with a “.doc” suffix), or as an Adobe PDF file (naming the document with a “.pdf” suffix). Data or spreadsheet responses should be compatible with Microsoft Excel. All written pleadings or comments submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department’s website, <http://www.mass.gov/dte>.

Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact William H. Stevens, Jr., Hearing Officer, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, at (617) 305-3620.

By Order of the Department,

MARY L. COTTRELL, SECRETARY